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disposal

and give out (medicines, prescriptions, etc.) 3. to administer to (dispense) 4. to justify 4. to exempt; excuse
 —*dis-pen-sa-tion* (dis-pen'shən) *n.* 1. to get rid of; to away with 2. to do without; manage without
dis-pen-ser (dis-pen'ser) *n.* a person or thing that dispenses; specif., a container designed to dispense its contents in handy unit or portions
dis-peo-ple (dis-peo'l) *vt.* -pled, -pling *same as* DEPOPULATE
dis-per-mouse (dis-pur'məs) *adj.* [di- + *SPERMIOUS*] Bot. having two seeds
dis-per-sal (dis-pur'sl) *n.* a dispersing or being dispersed; distribution
dis-per-se (dis-purs') *vt.* -persed', -pers'ing [ME. *disperſen* < L. *disperſus*, pp. of *dispergere*, to scatter abroad < *dis-* out + *spargere*, to scatter, sower; for IE. base see SPANUR] 1. to break up and scatter in all directions; spread about; 2. to scatter widely 2. to dispel (mist, etc.) 3. to break up (light) into its component colored rays —*vt.* to break up and move in different directions; scatter —*SYN.* see SCATTER —*dis-per-ser* *n.* —*dis-per-si-bile* *adj.*
dis-perse system a two-phase colloidal system consisting of the colloidal particles (dispersion phase) and the medium in which they are suspended (dispersion medium)
dis-per-sion (dis-pur'shən, -shən) *n.* [ME. *disperſiō* < OFr. *disperſion* < L. *disperſio*] 1. a dispersing or being dispersed 2. the breaking up of light into component colored rays, as by means of a prism 3. the resolution of a complex electromagnetic radiation into component waves in accordance with some characteristic wavelength 4. the separation or scattering of data around a median value 5. a colloidal system with its dispersed particles and the medium in which these are suspended 6. [D-] *same as* DIAPYCNIA
dis-per-sive (dis-pur'siv) *adj.* dispersing or tending to disperse —*dis-per-sive-ly* *adv.*
dis-per-soid (dis-pur'soid) *n.* a colloidal system, as an emulsion, in which the colloidal particles are quite small and well suspended in the dispersion medium
dis-pir-it (dis-pir'it) *vt.* to lower the spirits of; make sad, discouraged, or apathetic; depress; deject —*dis-pir'it-ed* *adj.* —*dis-pir'it-ed-ly* *adv.*
dis-pit-e-ous (dis-pit'ē-əs) *adj.* [var. of DESPITEOUS] [Archaic] without pity; unmerciful; ruthless
dis-place (dis-plas') *vt.* -placed', -plac'ing [OFr. *displacer*; see DIS- + PLACE] 1. to move from its usual or proper place 2. to remove from office; discharge 3. to take the place of; replace [a ship *displaces* a certain amount of water] —*SYN.* see REPLACE
displaced person a person forced from his country, esp. as a result of war, and left homeless elsewhere
dis-place-ment (dis-plas'mēt) *n.* 1. a displacing or being displaced 2. a) the weight or volume of a fluid displaced by a floating object; specif., the weight of water, in long tons, displaced by a ship b) the volume displaced by a stroke of a piston 3. the difference between a later position of a thing and its original position 4. Geol. a fault 5. Psychology a defense mechanism in which an emotion is transferred to another, more acceptable object
dis-plant (dis-plan't, -plānt') *vt.* [Obs.] to transplant; dislodge, or displace
dis-play (dis-plā') *vt.* [ME. *displeien* < OFr. *despleier* < L. *displecare*, to scatter, unfold < *dis-*, apart + *plecare*, to fold; for IE. base see FLAK] 1. to unfold; spread out; unfold 2. to unfold to the eye; put or spread out so as to be seen; exhibit 3. to unfold to the mind; disclose; reveal 4. to print conspicuously, as in large or fancy type 5. a displaying exhibition 2. anything displayed, exhibited 3. a displaying exhibition; ostentation 4. a manifestation [a display of courage] 5. a mere show of something that is not genuine [a display of sympathy] —*adj.* designating printing type in larger sizes, used for headings, advertisements, etc. —*SYN.* see SHOW
dis-please (dis-plēz') *vt.* -pleased', -pleas'ing [ME. *displeien* < OFr. *despleier* < VL. *displecare*, for L. *displecare* < *dis-*, not + *plecare*; see PLEASE] to fail to please one; to be disagreeable (-to) annoy; offend; irritate
dis-pleas-ure (dis-plē-shər) *n.* [ME. *displeier* < OFr. *displeier*, inf. used as *n.*; see prec.] 1. the act or feeling of being displeased; dissatisfaction, disapproval, annoyance 2. [Archaic] discomfort, sorrow, trouble, etc. —*SYN.* see OFFENSE
dis-plode (dis-plōd') *vt.* -ploded', -plod'ing [L. *displodere* < *dis-*, apart + *plaudere*, to applaud] [Obs.] *same as* EXPLODE —*dis-plod-ion* (dis-plō'shən) *n.*
dis-plume (dis-plūm') *vt.* -plumed', -plum'ing [R. *same as* DEPLUME]
dis-port (dis-pōrt') *vt.* [ME. *disporten*, to haaz, support OFr. *desporter* < *des-* (see DIS-) + *porter* < L. *portare*, carry; see PORT] to indulge in amusement; play; amuse —*vt.* to amuse or divert (oneself) —*n.* [Archaic] 1. a sporting; amusement; play 2. a game
dis-pos-a-ble (dis-pōz'a-bəl) *adj.* 1. that can be thrown away after use (disposable bottles) 2. that can be disposed of restricted to any specific use
dis-pos-al (dis-pōz'əl) *n.* 1. the act of disposing; disposal 2. arrangement in a particular order [the disposal of furniture in a room] 3. a dealing with matters or settlement of affairs 4. a giving away; transfer; bestowal 5. a getting rid of 6. the power to dispose of 3. *same as* DISPOSE

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